

Market Enforcement Branch

Hot News
August 2010

LICENSE DENIALS

Marglin Hay Sales & Transport Inc
PO Box 253
Herald, CA 95638
License denied on August 23, 2010

Quaking Hills Winery Inc
25084 Asti Road
Cloverdale, CA 95425
License denied on August 24, 2010

Al's Produce
8225 Newbridge Way
Citrus Heights, CA 95610
License denied on August 23, 2010

Steve Van Leer Hay
10055 South Henry Road
Farmington, CA 95230
License denied on August 24, 2010

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS / LICENSE REVOCATIONS

None

PROSECUTION UPDATES

Jonathan M. Barber & Lorraine Shmulik dba Barber Cellars – Petaluma, CA

The Sonoma County District Attorney filed a misdemeanor complaint against Mr. Barber and Ms. Shmulik for operating without a license under the Food and Agricultural Code. Mr. Barber and Ms. Shmulik are alleged to have purchased wine grapes from producers in Sonoma County for the purpose of processing. The arraignment has been scheduled for September 7, 2010 at the Sonoma County Superior Court.

Robert Lynch dba Irish Monkey Cellars – Oakland, CA

The Alameda County District Attorney filed a misdemeanor complaint against Mr. Lynch for operating without a license under the Food and Agricultural Code. Mr. Lynch is alleged to have purchased California Farm product for the purpose of processing. His court date has been scheduled for September 8, 2010 at the Alameda County Superior Court.

Ignazio Robert Ugenti (Quality First Distribution, Inc.) – San Jose, CA

The Merced County District Attorney accepted a complaint against Mr. Ugenti for operating without a license under the Produce Dealers Act. Mr. Ugenti is alleged to have purchased California farm products for resale without having a dealers license in his possession. Mr. Ugenti failed to appear at his arraignment on October 20, 2009 at the Merced County Superior Court. The judge issued a bench warrant in the amount of \$25,000. The case is pending.

John Bowersox dba High Point Raisin and Nor Cal Raisin – Chowchilla, CA

A criminal complaint was filed against John Bowersox with the Madera County District Attorney's office alleging Grand Theft under the Penal Code and operating without a license under the Food and Agricultural Code. On September 29, 2009, an arrest warrant was issued against Mr. Bowersox for Grand Theft (PC 487 (b) (1) (A)), a felony; and operating without a license under the Food and Agricultural Code (56632), a misdemeanor. Mr. Bowersox was arrested on October 20, 2009 and posted bail.

At his pre trial hearing May 24, 2010, a preliminary hearing was set for September 24, 2010.